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Dear Sir:

In regard to the above-identified application:

- 1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
 - Petition for Five Month Extension of Time
 - b. Appeal Brief
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- 2. With respect to additional fees:
 - Attached is a check in the amount of \$2660.00 (\$1260.00 for five month extension of time and \$500 for filing appeal brief)
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Respectfully submitted,

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Date: May 6, 2005

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